

Status of Benning Road NE Corridor Implementation Actions

Fiscal Year 2010

Estimated Starting Year Agency **Action - Description** Status* Commission on Arts and Humanities: 3 BR-FNS-1.1-W:-Urban Design: Create physical gateway element at Southern Avenue Planned as people enter DC from Maryland. BR-FNS-1.2-M:-Cultural Assets: Create educational materials to enable citizens to In Process better understand and participate in the public art process. BR-FNS-1.2-N:-Cultural Assets: Maintain the community identity and culture through In Process educational programs, public art and activities that represent the community's cultural identity Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs: 3 2008 BR-FNS-1:-Housing: Enforce quality and standards in all rental housing through In Process systematic code enforcement BR-FNS-1.1-A:-Housing: Identify rental properties that fail to meet building or health Planned code standards and develop a strategy with appropriate agencies to address abatement without inducing displacement. BR-FNS-1.1-ZD:-Community Health and Safety: Ensure that vacant properties are Unknown registered with Department of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) and taxed at the vacant rate. Department of Housing and Community Development: 8 2007 BR-FNS-1.1-B:-Housing: DHCD should continue to explore legislation that would Planned provide incentives and assistance for rental property owners to bring their properties up to code. BR-FNS-1.1-C:-Housing: Assess the inventory of federally subsidized affordable Planned housing and develop an appropriate preservation strategy that would target District and private resources. BR-FNS-5:-Housing: Assess the current supply and demand for assisted living or Planned senior housing facilities; develop a strategy for housing elderly residents so that they can remain close to their neighborhoods once they are no longer able to live on their own. 2008 BR-FNS-1.1-ZC:-Community Health and Safety: Monitor vacant and/or dangerous Planned buildings to return all suitable buildings to code compliance and develop a strategy for reuse. BR-FNS-2:-Housing: Promote existing programs and services to ensure existing Complete homeowners are not priced out of their homes by rising property taxes and utility costs.

Promotion should be targeted especially towards Senior citizen and long term, low

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Department of Small and Local	Business Development: 3	
2007		
	BR-FNS-1.1-P:-Shopping and Business : Design a marketing strategy to highlight retail market opportunities in the corridor	Planned
	BR-FNS-2.1-A:-Shopping and Business: Engage existing business associations along the corridor and encourage them to create focused associations or subcommittees for the following nodes: Hechinger Mall area, Benning/Minnesota interesection, and the Benning Road Metro station area.	Planned
2008		
	BR-FNS-1.1-N:-Shopping and Business: Provide technical and financial assistance with retaining and expanding existing local businesses.	Planned
Department of the Environment	: 1	
2008		
	BR-FNS-2-B:-Housing: Actively promote and expand weatherization program for low-moderate income households, to offer financial assistance in making homes more effcient and environmentally friendly, cutting monthly utility costs.	Complete
Deputy Mayor for Planning & Ed	conomic Development: 2	
2008		
	BR-FNS-1.1-M:-Shopping and Business: Provide economic incentives for quality retail creation through mixed-use redevelopment and reonovation of existing buildings.	Unknown
	BR-FNS-1.1-O:-Shopping and Business : Improve the appearance of existing buildings in areas NOT considered near or mid term opportunity sites	Planned
District Department of Transpor	rtation: 8	
2007		
	BR-FNS-1.1-X:-Transportation & Infrastructure : Conduct a formal safety audit of all major intersections along the corridor to ensure pedestrian safety.	In Process
2008		
	BR-FNS-1.1-Q:-Urban Design: Design and implement Great Streets improvements for the corridor between 42nd St, NE and Southern Ave, including roadwork, streetscaping and signage elements. Actively engage the surrounding communities in the design process.	Planned
	BR-FNS-1.1-R:-Urban Design: Consistently maintain new street improvements at "good" levels as defined by DDOT"s public realm rating criteria.	In Process
	BR-FNS-1.1-Y:-Transportation & Infrastructure: Further analyze new transit modes along the corridor, particularly east of the Benning Road Metro Station, such as smaller, neighborhood-serving circulator buses. Such transit options will help support new retail and housing development.	Planned
	BR-FNS-1.1-ZA:-Transportation & Infrastructure: Office of Planning suggests that as DDOT explores options for streetcar stops east of the river, they consider nodes of activity including: 36th St, NE, Minnesota Ave, NE, 42nd St, NE and East Capitol St (at the Benning Metro station)	In Process

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District	Department of Transpo	ortation: 8	
	2008		
		BR-FNS-1.2-P:-Transportation & Infrastructure : Improve pedestrian crossings at the	Planning Stage
		following important and dangerous intersections: Minnestota Ave, East Capitol St to C St, SE, 17th St, NE, and 34th St, NE.	
		St, SE, 17th St, INE, and 34th St, INE.	W OF
		BR-FNS-1.2-Q:-Transportation & Infrastructure : Ensure that at least one	Planned
		bicycle/pedestrian connection is made across the Anacostia River for recreational and	
		commuter uses alike, and that it connects safely and accessibly to other existing trails.	WO P
		BR-FNS-1.2-R:-Transportation & Infrastructure : Restrict creation of new curb cuts on	In Process
		Benning Rd, unless site access is possible no other way. DDOT should scrutinize curb	
		cuts as properties redevelop, and look for ways to eliminate superfluous or dangerous curb cuts.	wie w
		outs outs.	
Executiv	ve Office of the Mayor:	1	
	2008		
		BR-FNS-1.1-T:-Urban Design: Work with CORE Teams in Wards 5, 6, and 7 to	In Process
		continue to identify problem spots for concentrated code enforcement and clean up.	MOK.
/letropc	olitan Police Departmer	nt: 2	
	2008	··· -	
		BR-FNS-1.1-ZB:-Community Health and Safety : Develop a community Policing Plan	Planned
		and take appropriate actions related to violations.	
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		BR-FNS-1.2-S:-Community Health and Safety: Create a safe community environment	Dlanned
		through increased awareness and education to eliminate gang activity, drug use and	Planned
		juvenile crime.	
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	2001	BR-FNS-1.2-H:-Parks and Open Space: Reposition Fort Mahan as a great community	Complete
		asset.	
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	2000		
	2008	BR-FNS-1.2-I:-Parks and Open Space : Ft. Mahan Park is a focus of the Capital Space	Planned
		Initiative phase II sub-study on the Fort Circle Parks. This study should involve the local	Flamed
		community to define new uses at the park, and improve accessibility, signage, and	
		connectivity with other open space.	-
Office o	f Planning: 3		
	2008		
		BR-FNS-1.1-V:-Urban Design : Sensitively scale transitions between uses and heights	Planned
			ACT.
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		BR-FNS-1.1-Z:-Transportation & Infrastructure : Office of Planning Development	Planned
		Review should analyze new development on the corridor with an eye for site access.	Could have
		Rear or side setbacks should be considered where they can create opportunities for non-	

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Office o	f Planning: 3		
	2008		
		BR-FNS-1.2-J:-Parks and Open Space: Support NCPC"s planning efforts for returning the RFK stadium parking lots to park land.	Planning Stage
Office o	f Planning - Historic P	reservation Office: 2	
	2008		
		BR-FNS-1.2-K:-Cultural Assets : Develop educational information on possible historic resources along the Benning Road corridor. Add to the DC Index of Places of Historic Interest.	In Process
		BR-FNS-1.2-L:-Cultural Assets: Devise ways to more clearly interpret for the public the important historic assets of Woodlawn Cemetery, Payne Cemetery and other notable sites on the African-American Heritage Trail.	Planned
Office o	f Tax and Revenue: 1		
	2007		
		BR-FNS-2-A:-Housing: Actively promote, through partnerships between government, local non profits and faith based organizations, the range of tax credit, tax abatement, and tax assessment cap programs available to homeowners.	Planned
Other: 2	2		
	2008		
		BR-FNS-1.1-U:-Urban Design: Encourage local business associations to form a BID or other such entity to provide urban design amenities and maintenance above and beyond what DC can provide.	Planned
		BR-FNS-1.2-O:-Cultural Assets: Identify landmark buildings and sites through partnerships with local communities and government agencies - seek historic designation where desired by the community.	Planned

Grand Total: 48

* Future - No funding or action yet

Planning Stage - Project planning has been initiated by the lead or partner agencies

Planned - A project has been planned, but construction or implementation has not begun. A project in this stage may be waiting for approval or funding.

In Process - Construction or implementation work has been initiated by the lead or partner agencies, but is not yet completed

No Action - No action has occurred

Complete - Done

Cancelled - Project is no longer contemplated or part of an agency workplan